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Title: GENE CLUSTER INVOLVED IN NOGALAMYCIN BIOSYNTHESIS,
AND ITS USE IN PRODUCTION OF HYBRID ANTIBIOTICS

PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT

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Commissioner for Patents
Washington, D.C. 20231

Sir:

Please enter the following amendments to the claims and abstract prior to the examination of the application.

IN THE CLAIMS:

Please amend claims 3, 7, and 12, and add new claims 16-26 as follows. A copy of the marked-up version of amended claims 3, 7, and 12 are attached to this Preliminary Amendment.

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3. (Amended) A recombinant DNA, which comprises the DNA fragment according to claim 1, cloned in a plasmid replicating in *Streptomyces*.

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7. (Amended) A process for the production of hybrid compounds, comprising transferring the DNA fragment according to claim 1